GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2851
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CAG REPORT ON ELECTRIFICATION
SHEESH RAM SINGH RAVI

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General in their report No.9 of 2000(Railways) for the year ended March 1999 on pages 42 to 45 carried a paragraph of electrification of tracks/routes;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government on those observations;

(c) whether the audit scrutiny of an on-going electrification project costing Rs.290 crores on Delhi-Ambala-Ludhiana section of the Northern Railway revealed that against savings by the Audit of Rs.11.52 crore the Internal Rate of Returnwas depicted as 14.48 per cent leading to savings of Rs.22.17 crore;

(d) if so, the reasons for not being accurate in the working of cost of project and the savings that are accruing etc; and

(e) the details of other discrepancies pointed out by the CAG and the reaction of the Government thereon?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): Pages 42 to 45 in the said Audit Report carry a paragraph entitled Choice of traction.

(b) to (e): The documents which formed the basis for arriving at various conclusions were not available and have been recently received from Audit. The observations are yet to be examined on the basis of laid down norms.